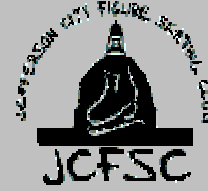


JCFSC NEWS



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President's Letter

I hope everyone had a great time at registration night. Thanks to everyone for bringing dishes, volunteering and coming out to support JCFSC!!

Membership applications are still coming in. To date we have 113 members with 55 of these holding a full membership with USFS. If you have any questions about the different membership types, please ask any board member and we will try to help.

Please welcome Rachel Chaney, Patrick Conley, Brook Friederich, Lillian McCutchen, Patrick Ordway, Ella Pea, Grace Pea, Zoe Scrivner, Sadie Turner, Shay Turner, Makayla Turner, Tessa Uhlmann, Paxten Wankum and Elise Williams to the club as our new members!

We will again offer the Pampered Chef fundraiser with 15% of sales going toward your personal account and 15% going into the general club fundraiser account. Thanks to Debbie Seaman, Pampered Chef Consultant and JCFSC Platinum Sponsor for running the fundraiser! Packets will be available on Thursday, October 23rd.

Upcoming Events

Each month the Membership Committee would like to have a membership event. Please check the website calendar and the bulletin board each month so you know what to do and which night these events will be held.

For October, we will allow the skaters to dress in their Halloween costumes on Thursday, October 30th. Please make sure that the skaters can still move freely in

JCFSC E-mail List

JCFSC has a current e-mail list that is used by the board to send important information such as schedule changes, cancellations, newsletters and other information.

JCFSC does not use this email group for any purposes other than informing members and the addresses will not be disseminated to any outside parties. If you

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New this season we have created a Members Handbook to help answer many questions that are raised by new members. These were given on CD's to members at registration. If you do not have one, please let any board member know and we will get one out to you. Families can also download it from the Members Area of the website. If you do not have a computer to view the files, please let a board member know and we will get a paper copy to you.

Have a wonderful skating season!
 Kristi Rydman

their costumes. Accessories that are not attached securely and masks are not allowed. Remember, they still have to skate and be safe!

If you are interested in helping plan events for the club, please contact a board member and express your interest! We are always looking for new and exciting events that the skaters would enjoy.

would like to be added to this list, please visit the registration page at www.JCFSC.com/list to add your information.

Also, don't forget to check our website at www.JCFSC.com!

USFS Testing

Are you interested in testing an official USFS test session? There is important information that you need to know!

You must have a current USFS Membership in order to test. If you are unsure if you have one, please check with a board member!

If you are interested in testing at another ice arena, you need to have a "Permission to Test" form filled out! The JCFSC Treasurer and Test Chair are the only members who can sign these forms. The Test Chair will check if you have a current USFS membership, the date of your last test and the appropriate levels. The Treasurer will check to be sure you are a member in good standing with the Club.

Please check with Barb Bruemmer or Christie Kincannon to have the form signed as soon as possible. Please allow at least one week to have the form returned!

You must have a new form filled out for EACH test session you attend that is not at our rink. Not having a new form each time can cause the skater to receive an "invalid" for the test which can result in the skater needing to re-take the test – even if they passed!

JCFSC held our first test session of the 08-09 Season on October 5th. Congratulations to the following skaters who passed tests: Cailin Currier, Caitlyn Duff, Morgan Glavin, Payten Howland, Macy Randolph, Asiah Rydman, and Courtney Seaman.

JCFSC will hold a USFS test session on March 15 2009. Watch for more information, including the test form in early February!

Special Needs by Sheila Stratman

I would like to thank JCFSC for using some of the Championship money to sponsor the special needs program. This program started with an idea and was made into a reality thanks to Ginger Sommerer and previous JCFSC boards. There are others that I would like to take the time to thank as they are all an important aspect of this program:

* **Ken Lister** – Thank you for making the ice walkers that we use, obtaining the metal walkers and getting our equipment out each week!

* **Parks and Recreation** – Thank you for allowing our special needs skaters the use of rental skates at no cost!

* **Special Needs Parents** – Thank you for allowing us the privilege of getting to know your children as they become skaters!

* **Volunteers** – Thank you for all the work and dedication that you show to the skaters!

On behalf of the 07-08 JCFSC Board, I would like to recognize all the Special Needs volunteers for this past season. Becky Thompson, Becky Billings, Elise Schreiber, Mikaela Barnes, Cailin Currier, Katie Lister, Rachel Sommerer, Tori Sommerer, Kate Stratman, Mary and Dave Owens, Sarah Nelson, Lisa Borgmeyer, Barb Bruemmer, Christie Kincannon and Debbie Bernsen. Without you all, this program would not be possible.

The 07-08 Board implemented a program to recognize a Special Needs Volunteer each skating season. Ballots were distributed to the parents of the Special Needs skaters and the adult volunteers. The individual chosen for this award was Kate Stratman. Kate has been a volunteer with this program since it first began. During the 07-08 season, she had the highest amount of volunteer hours toward the program. Kate chose not to skate in her group number for the ice show so that she could help our special needs skaters. Congratulations Kate!

We hope other skaters will get involved and find the joy in volunteering with this program. The program started with 4 skaters and has grown to 8 and will hopefully continue to grow as other families with special needs children learn about the joy of skating. Both adult and youth volunteers are needed to allow this program to serve more children. If you are interested in volunteering or know other children that could benefit from this program, please don't hesitate to contact me. It is a joy to see the smiles on the faces of our skaters with special needs!

All 08-09 season Volunteers will be recognized at the end of the season BBQ!

JCFSC Committees

Parent involvement is the key to the success of JCFSC. Without our parent volunteers, the club would not be what we are today. We have many opportunities for parents to get involved and we always welcome the help.

Our club has many committees and you do not have to be a board member to serve on these committees. If you are interested in helping in any of these areas, please see the committee chairperson or any board member. A list of the committees and their duties is included.

Membership Committee – this committee helps new members get acclimated with JCFSC, provides requested documents and helps planning events for the members. Chairpersons – Barb Bruemmer & Kristi Rydman (membership), Krisi Howland (attire), Sheila Stratman (special needs), Janie Potts (special events).

Testing Committee – this committee sets up the USFS tests. Committee members will help out during test sessions. Chairpersons – Barb Bruemmer (testing) & Cindy Thompson (hospitality).

JCFSC Items

Have you seen the new items for this year? They are available in club colors and in a variety of items.

Club Jackets – The Blue and Black fleece warm-up jackets and zippered pants are available for all club members to purchase. Orders were placed on October 9th in order to receive them by Christmas. If members want to place another order in the season, please contact Krisi Howland.

Pajama Pants – We have a couple options for those cute PJ pants! You also have a couple of options for customizing the wording or leaving it off!

Calendars – We still have the 2009 Skating Calendar available. They are priced at \$16.00, which is a great bargain and your skater will love it!

Ice Show Committee – Committee members will help in Ice Show planning such as scheduling volunteers, organizing flower sales, helping with props, making costumes. Chairpersons – Linda Currier (costumes), Sheri Barnes (props), Maureena Tucker (volunteers), Becky Wilbers (flower sales).

Public Relations Committee – members will help with club's marketing efforts, help with public relations materials and implement special events. Chairperson – Kristi Rydman (website), VACANT (bulletin board), VACANT (media).

Fundraising Committee – members will help with club's fundraising efforts and help identify alternative sources of support. Chairpersons: VACANT, We still need a chairperson to head this committee!

Policies and Procedures Committee – members review the club's bylaws, policies and activities on an as needed basis. Chairpersons: Christie Kincannon & Kristi Rydman.

Skating Dresses - Just in time for CHRISTMAS we are offering a skating dress with an embroidered logo. Dresses must be ordered by October 30th!! Check the information table or the website for further information on all items

Popcorn Poppers – We have 2 popcorn poppers left from last season. If you wanted one and didn't get it, now is your chance. They are \$5.00 and will go to the first two members that request them!

Watch for other items throughout the season! If you have any suggestions, questions or comments on the JCFSC items, please check with Krisi Howland.

Pampered Chef fundraiser begins October 23rd until November 20th! This is a great way to help out the club and all members are encouraged to participate.